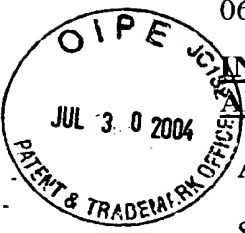


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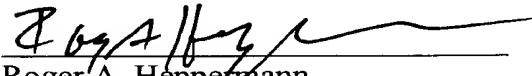
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In response to the Office Action dated February 25, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following comments as set forth below. The Claims have not been amended.